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In re Application of:

KEIICHI TAKASHIMA

Application No.: 10/627,614

Filed: July 28, 2003

For: FORM PROCESSING APPARATUS,
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RECORDING MEDIUM AND
PROGRAM

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Sir:

Applicant's attorneys have received two Notices to Comply With
Requirement For Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence
And/Or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures, dated November 5, 2003, and November 13,
2003, respectively, with a filing date of July 28, 2003, Attorney Docket Number
00862.023149, Inventor, Keiichi Takashima, and Application Number 10/627,604 (copies
enclosed).

Applicant believes the Notices were issued in error for the following reasons. First, when the application was filed it was provisionally accorded Application No. 10/627,614, as evidenced by the returned receipt postcard bearing the application number bar code sticker of the Patent and Trademark Office. Second, this application, "Form Processing Apparatus, Form Processing Method, Recording Medium And Program" does not contain either a nucleotide sequence or an amino acid sequence. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests the Patent and Trademark Office to withdraw the Notice, and this paper is deemed a complete response to both.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

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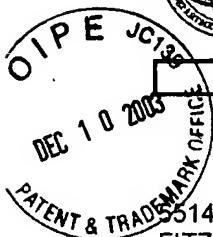
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